

Consideration of the dedication of the Lubbe Woods Addition Nature Preserve in Dearborn County

The proposed Nature Preserve is a 34.9262 acre property that is in the southwestern portion of Dearborn County, approximately 3.0 miles southwest of the town of Dillsboro. This nature preserve will protect classic examples of old growth forest in Indiana's Switzerland Hills Section of the Bluegrass Natural Region.

This Nature Preserve is located on one of the highest parts of the County. It consists of dry-mesic forests on a broad upland, and mesic upland forests along the narrow ravines of a small stream named 'Boyd Branch', which runs along the north boundary.

The nature preserve contains an example of beech-maple old growth forest; this dominance is obscured by the presence of many large white oak, red oak, tulip poplar and shagbark hickory. The largest of these has a diameter of 54 inches at breast height.

The preserve also provides habitat to the Eastern box turtle, a Species of Special Concern in Indiana. Species noted there in the past include: red spotted newt, red backed salamander, Western chorus frog, Northern copperhead, Barred owl, Yellow-shafted flicker,

This tract is owned and managed by the Division of Nature Preserves. Acquisition was through a donation by the land owner, Pat Cummings, as further protection of the existing nature preserve, Lubbe Woods.

The Division of Nature Preserves recommends dedication of this site as a State Nature Preserve.

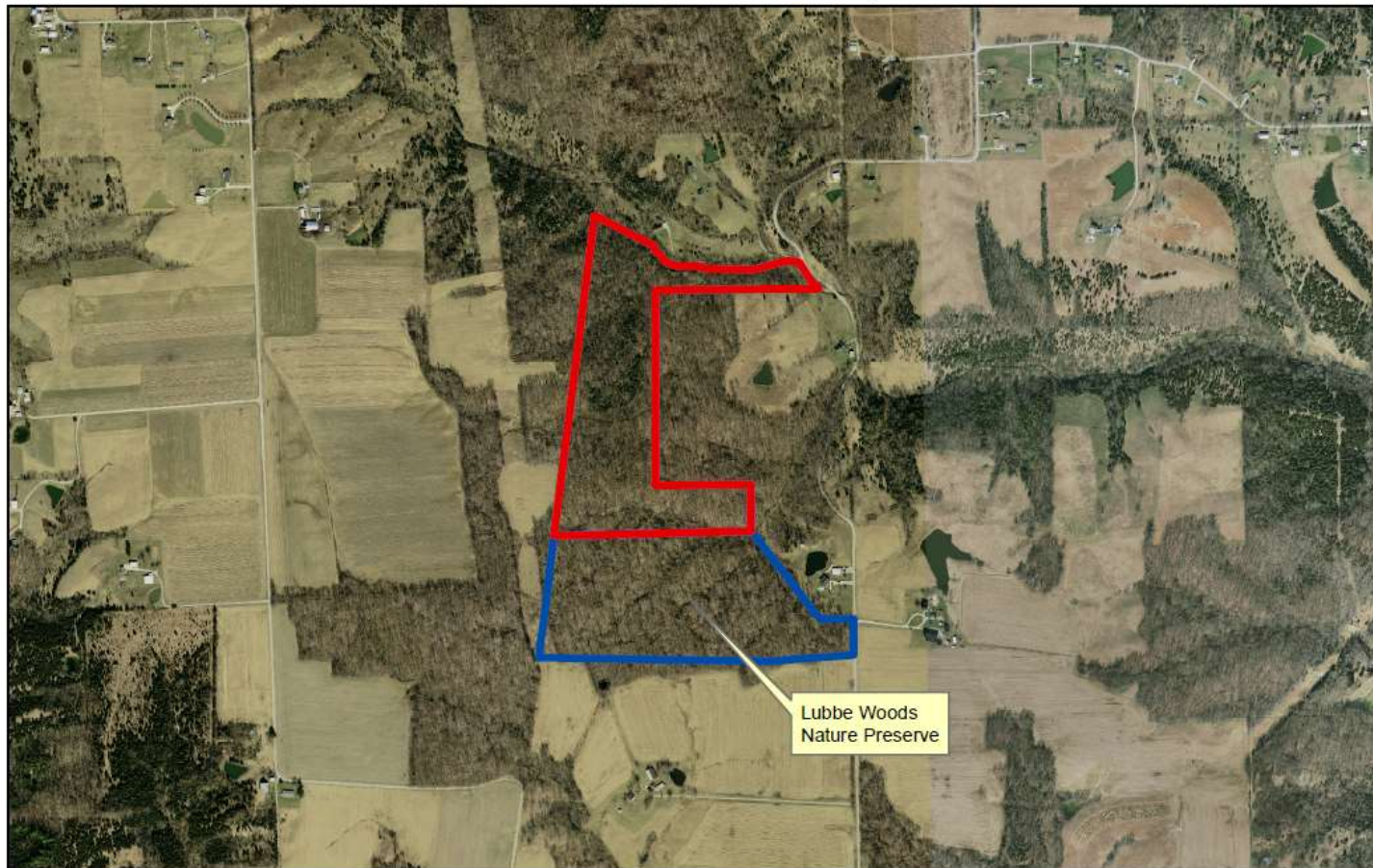
Attached is Nature Preserves exhibit A.

Lubbe Woods Addition Nature Preserve

County: Dearborn
Size: 34.9262 acres

NRC Exhibit A

USGS Quad Map: Bear Branch
Ownership: Div of Nature Preserves



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